

In the Claims

This listing of the claims reflects the claims as currently pending in the application.

1-28. Canceled

29. (original) A method for the isolation of nucleic acid ligands to c-met, comprising:

- a) preparing a candidate mixture of nucleic acids;
- b) contacting the candidate mixture of nucleic acids with c-met, wherein nucleic acids having an increased affinity to c-met relative to the candidate mixture may be partitioned from the remainder of the candidate mixture;
- c) partitioning the increased affinity nucleic acids from the remainder of the candidate mixture;
- d) amplifying the increased affinity nucleic acids to yield a mixture of nucleic acids enriched for nucleic acids with relatively higher affinity and specificity for binding to c-met, whereby a nucleic acid ligand of c-met may be identified.

30. (original) The method of claim 29 wherein said candidate mixture comprises single-stranded nucleic acids.

31. (original) The method of claim 30 wherein said single-stranded nucleic acids comprise ribonucleic acids.

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